

ACCADA *NEWS*

Association of Canadian Clinical Academic Department Administrators

Dedicated to the improvement of the administration of Canadian medical schools and their departments through professional management

UPDATE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

Welcome to ACCADA News, this is an opportunity for your Executive to provide an update on various association activities since the last AGM.

The Executive has been meeting regularly via conference call to discuss ACCADA issues and to connect with the fall conference organizers. Here is a summary of what we have been up to.

2016 Conference

The fall ACCADA conference will be held October 3rd to 5th and is hosted this year by the University of Ottawa. Registration is now open so make your plans to attend. It is a wonderful opportunity to network with your colleagues and to engage in some professional development. The agenda is looking great and our colleagues at U of O are working hard on all the details to offer a great conference experience. Don't miss it! Visit our website for conference details.

Membership

Again this year you are able to purchase your ACCADA membership when you register for the annual conference. This worked out very well last year and the vast majority of our members indicated that they appreciated the convenience.

2017 Conference

We are pleased to officially announce the host for the 2017 conference is McMaster University! The committee will be making a presentation at the 2016 conference. Thanks so much for stepping up McMaster!

2018 Conference

We are awaiting final confirmation on the hosts for the 2018 ACCADA conference but hope to announce it at the 2016 conference. Stay tuned.

2019 Conference

We also have the 2019 ACCADA conference confirmed. We will be hosted by Western University. Thanks to the organizing team who first volunteered to pitch hit for 2017 if needed, but are now breathing a sigh of relief that it is actually 2019.

Opportunities to Serve on the Executive

Two of our Executive Team members, Susan McCumber and Stephen Jefferson, will have completed their terms this year. So we are looking for volunteers to step into the positions of Membership Director and Communications Director. This is a great opportunity to get more involved in ACCADA and join Diane and I on the Executive. Terms are for 3 years. Speak to any of the Executive members for more information. Consider volunteering yourself, or convincing a colleague to volunteer! We will be seeking nominations at the AGM.

Many thanks to Susan and Stephen for all their work over the past few years.

Legal Status

At the 2015 AGM there was a motion passed to become a fully registered association. Susan McCumber took on this task and has done a wonderful job of guiding us through the process. The legal documentation has been completed and Susan will be presenting the details at the AGM.

University Representatives

We would like to have official ACCADA representatives at each member university who would be a contact for our membership director and wave the ACCADA flag encouraging their colleagues to join and attend future conferences. If you would like to be a university representative please let us know. The best way to get more people involved is for you to personally invite them to attend.

AGM

If you have any agenda items for the upcoming AGM, please forward them to Carolyn Sisley at Carolyn.Sisley@nshealth.ca .

Your Executive Team:

Carolyn Sisley (Dalhousie) - President

Diane Titley (University of Alberta) - Secretary/Treasurer

Susan McCumber (University of Ottawa) - Membership Director

Stephen Jefferson (Alberta Health Services) - Communications Director